CONSTRUCTION OF VESSELS BY THE NAVY DEPARTMENT

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF VESSELS BY THE NAVY DEPARTMENT, AMOUNTING TO \$10,000,000

February 17 (calendar day February 19), 1931.—Read; referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, February 19, 1931.

The President of the Senate:

Sir: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress supplemental estimates of appropriation for the fiscal year 1932 for the construction of vessels by the Navy Department, amounting to \$10,000,000.

The details of these estimates, the necessity therefor, and the reasons for their transmission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

HERBERT HOOVER.

Bureau of the Budget, Washington, February 19, 1931.

Sir: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration supplemental estimates of appropriation for the fiscal year 1932, for

the construction of vessels by the Navy Department, amounting to \$10,000,000, as follows:

INCREASE OF THE NAVY, CONSTRUCTION AND MACHINERY

Construction and machinery: For an additional amount on account of hulls and outfits of vessels and machinery of vessels heretofore authorized, fiscal year 1932, \$7,500,000, to remain available until expended (act June 11, 1930, vol. 46, p. 575).

INCREASE OF THE NAVY, ARMOR, ARMAMENT, AND AMMUNITION

Armor, armament, and ammunition: For an additional amount toward the armor, armament, and ammunition for vessels heretofore authorized, fiscal year 1932, \$2,500,000, to remain available until expended (act June 11, 1930, vol. 46, p. 575).

The naval appropriation act for the fiscal year 1917, approved August 29, 1916, authorized the construction of certain war vessels, including a large number of destroyers. All but 12 of the destroyers authorized by said act have been constructed. These estimates are for the purpose of enabling the Secretary of the Navy to commence during the fiscal year 1932 the construction of 11 of said destroyers.

These estimates of appropriation are for the purpose of providing for the construction of additional vessels, the program for which had not been definitely determined at the time of the transmission of the Budget for the fiscal year 1932. Their approval is recommended.

Very respectfully,

J. Clawson Roop,
Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

The PRESIDENT.

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